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TRUCK DRIVER Charles Eugene Moore examines wreckage of Pearson Trucking tractor trailer rig following a one-vehicle accident Monday, May 10, on Hwy. 189, seven miles north of Elba.

Wreck Totals Tractor Trailer

A tractor-trailer truck loaded with 46,000 pounds of peanuts flipped down a steep embankment while going around a dangerous curve on Highway 189, approximately seven miles north of Elba, totally destroying the truck and trailer and spreading peanuts along a 200-yard stretch of woods.

Drivers of the truck, Charles Eugene Moore, 19, escaped injury.

Moore, a driver for Pearson Trucking Company of Enterprise, reported he had picked up a load of 46,000 pounds of peanuts in Luverne and was enroute back to Enterprise on Highway 189. He stated the trailer "leaned" while going around a curve, and the entire truck flipped over when it went off a steep embankment. The cab of the truck was crushed when it flipped

and the trailer was split in half when it struck a large tree. Moore miraculously escaped injury and said, "When I saw the truck was going over the shoulder of the road I hit the floorboard under the steering wheel and just held on. When it stopped rolling, I crawled out a hole torn in the cab. I feel a little stove up, but I'm not hurt."

Cox Captured After Wild 2 Day Chase

A wild chase, that at one time even included a lawman on horseback, began quietly at 1:09 a.m. Saturday morning when the Elba police received a call that Linda Henderson's green 1976 Nova had been stolen.

Officers reported they were told that Sam C. Cox Jr. had broken into the Henderson apartment on Adkinson Street, taken some food from her kitchen and also her car keys from her purse, and then her car.

Law officers got reports throughout the day Saturday and Sunday that the car had been sighted in rural North Coffee County. Sunday afternoon, cruising law officers spotted the car and gave chase. Before that phase was over the cars had entered Elba at a high rate of speed, changed directions and left the city limits at a very high speed. Deputies and State Trooper Ronnie Whitworth had radioed for help and Elba police responded and attempted to stop the car at Big Creek, where Whitworth correctly predicted he would enter the Troy Highway.

The car evaded police but struck a passing vehicle from Troy, which spun into the ditch, but with its driver unhurt. Now, headed South toward Elba, he was chased by Whitworth, Elba Policeman Pete Daugherty and Reserve Deputy Ronny Shiver. These were attempting a "running blockade" as the high-speed chase came to Elba.

However, as they neared the Big Bear parking lot, someone or something rolled a 55-gallon barrel into the highway, apparently to stop the Nova. However, the Nova (presumably driven by Sam Cox) avoided the drum as did the law officers.

Cox skidded around and cut through the parking lot by jumping the curb and scattering citizens. Followed closely by law officers, he headed out the Branley Highway in full control of the chase. However, after leaving the Elba city limits, he had a blowout on a front tire. After controlling the car perfectly until it was almost stopped, Cox jumped out and ran into the woods where he was successful in eluding a host of law officers, bloodhounds and air surveillance. The active search was called off about 9:30 Sunday night.

About 2 p.m. Monday Elba police received a telephone call from a person who had seen Cox in a yard off a dirt road that joins County 11 and 21 in northeast Coffee County. Law officers went to the John Bryan home, and as they drove into the yard, Cox again ran into the woods. However, no effort was made to pursue until additional tracking dogs could be brought in from Atmore state prison.

Mrs. Bryan told this newspaper that Cox often came to their home and they



OFFICERS from the Coffee County Sheriff's Department and the Covington County Sheriff's Department place Sam Cox in a patrol car after Cox was captured following a two-day manhunt. Cox was tracked down by bloodhounds and captured in a wooded area behind a mobile home owned by his mother.

tried to help him whenever possible. She said that Monday her husband was repairing a fence when Sam walked up. "I was outside helping him," she explained. During friendly conversation, Mr. Bryan said, "Sam, it is almost 2 o'clock and I haven't eaten - are you hungry?" Mrs. Bryan said he responded that he was almost starved, and it was agreed she would warm some previously-cooked lunch and the three of them would eat, as they often did.

After eating, Mrs. Bryan offered to go back and help her husband fix the cowpen, but Cox insisted on helping himself and was doing so when law officers drove into the yard. Mrs. Bryan strongly denied published reports that anyone in her family had called the Elba police.

Upon arrival of the tracking dogs from Atmore, law officers dispersed around the area and released the dogs. They tracked around fields, through swamps, in circles, and three hours later tracked Sam Cox to a wooded area less than 100 yards from his mother's mobile home where he gave up peacefully and without further running.

Involved in the Monday search were city and county law officers, Board of Corrections officials, Conservation

officers and at least one deputy from Covington County.

The full list of charges has not been completed, but Cox is charged with auto theft, burglary, leaving the scene of an accident; and both Pike and Crenshaw Counties reportedly have charges of theft of property where he got tanks of gas and didn't pay for them. The City of Elba has additional charges of reckless endangerment, attempted assault first degree, and attempt to elude police officers.

During a ten-minute break following the lengthy discussion, County Attorney Rowe told the news media the vote was more than a straw vote and would not be legal. He cited a similar attempt in Lee County which was thrown out by the court, and expressed the opinion that the proposed election in Coffee County was seeking the same action.

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Board Fails To Renew Contracts

By NITA LACKEY
Contracts for 18 non-tenured Coffee County teachers will not be renewed for next year, according to County Supt. Johnny Vaughan. "This is only because of cutbacks in our state and federal budgets," Vaughan said. "It has nothing to do with the teachers' qualifications."

The decision was made in a special Board of Education meeting Tuesday morning. Announcement of the budget cutbacks was made at the regular board meeting Wednesday, May 5.

Citizens May Vote On Changing County Seat

The Coffee County Commission met in regular session on Monday, May 10, at the courthouse in Enterprise and voted to seek an attorney general's opinion on whether or not it would be constitutional to hold a referendum election in an effort to change the county seat to New Brockton.

The discussion began when Probate Judge James L. Sawyer stated, "I think we need to decide on the courthouse issue before we go on with the jail. In 1976 an application for funds to build a jail in Elba was turned down, primarily because of doubt of the future location of the county courthouse. We need to put the jail where the courthouse is located, and we need to let the people vote on one location for a single courthouse to serve Coffee County. I plead with you, the commission, to let the people vote on whether they want one courthouse or two, and if they vote for one, then let them choose a location."

Following Sawyer's lead, Commissioner Marvin Bowden made a motion to ask the county's legislators to introduce a bill calling for an election to be held to let the citizens of Coffee County vote on whether they want one courthouse or two. Although it wasn't included in the motion, Bowden stated if the people voted for one courthouse, the commission would then decide on a location.

Commissioner Eugene Bradley seconded the motion and it was then open for discussion - and there was plenty to discuss!

"I call your attention back to the past," stated County Attorney Warren Rowe, "and ask you to remember what happened the last time you tried this. What you are asking for is a straw vote, and it is not constitutional. The law states Coffee County will have a courthouse in Elba and a branch courthouse in Enterprise; the only method of changing the law is through a petition, which must include the signatures of 50 percent of the registered voters plus one. When the commission tried to hold an election for this purpose before, it was thrown out by the court for being unconstitutional, and the election you are proposing would have the same fate. I am not opposed to one courthouse. I'm just trying to avoid another long legal battle."

Commissioner Billy Eagerton then made a motion to amend Commissioner Bowden's motion, allowing the people to vote on whether or not they want one courthouse in New Brockton. This amendment in essence would mean if the vote passed, the county seat would be moved to New Brockton, and both courthouses now used would be abandoned. Commissioner Gilmer Grant seconded the motion, and a discussion again followed.

"Before we do something we can't retract," stated Attorney Rowe, "why don't we write up what we are proposing and get an attorney general's opinion on its legality?"

Commissioner Charlie Mack Martin said, "I am in favor of the people voting, but I'm not for giving them only one choice. To give them one choice is the same as giving them no choice!"

The motion to amend Bowden's motion and to list New Brockton as a site was passed 4-2, with Bowden and Martin casting the "no" votes. After the motion passed, the commission voted 4-2 (Bowden and Martin voting no) to instruct the county attorney to get an attorney general's opinion on the election.

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COMM. GILMER GRANT listens as County Commission discusses changing the county seat to New Brockton.

upheld as being constitutional, and it was then unsuccessful in naming New Brockton as the county seat, it would kill any change to change the county seat for 20 years. According to the commission, the State Code states if an attempt is made to change a county seat and it fails, no further attempt is allowed for 20 years.

The election was not discussed following the break, and it appears the commission's latest attempt to settle the dual-courthouse controversy will be on hold until the attorney general releases his opinion.

Monday's bi-monthly meeting began at 9 a.m., and the first order of business was to open bids on "pre-cast concrete bridge components." Bids were received from Choctaw, Inc., and Sherman Bridge, with Choctaw being awarded the contract as low bidder.

The latest jail inspection report was passed around, and it was lauded as being the "best in some time!" However, a close look at the report failed to show a reason for the commission's optimism. The report did state improvements had been made, but also stated inside stairs were steep and narrow, additional personnel is needed badly, the kitchen is too small, hot water is limited on the second floor, paint is in poor condition, plaster is peeling from the ceiling, the roof leaks, lighting is not adequate, plumbing is only in fair condition, ventilation is in poor shape, kitchen table is in poor shape, paid employees need to be supervising meal servings, and window screens are poor to non-existent.

Despite the long list of deficiencies, one commissioner stated, "With this report I don't think a judge in the land would declare our jail to be in violation of standards."

Commissioner Rex Boutwell reminded the commission it had done nothing about employing a bonding attorney and a financial advisor, and made a motion to name Bob Thornton and Associates as attorney, and the firm of Stern, Agee and Leach as financial advisors. The motion passed 5-1, with Bradley casting the lone negative vote.

Commissioner Charlie Mack Martin reported he and Commissioner Boutwell had contacted several engineers in their search to find a person to fill the vacant post of county engineer, and they had also met with state officials. He said one applicant was interviewed last week by the commission, but his salary demands were found to be higher than the commission was ready to meet --

Commissioner Billy DeVane to take whatever methods needed to stop erosion problems from destroying a portion of County Road 25; **instructed DeVane to get estimates on resurfacing two miles of roadway on Herman Driggers Drive, near Elba; **agreed general assurances with Southeast Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission for work involved in a black grant program; and **paid bills.

The next commission meeting will be held on Monday, May 24, in Enterprise.

In other action at Monday's meeting, the commission: **heard a brief presentation by representatives of Case Power and Equipment about their company, and an overview of their products for sale or lease; **agreed to move a "reserved parking" sign to the front of the Enterprise courthouse (reserving a spot for the handicapped); **pre-appointed Mrs. Elmer Taylor and Mrs. Robert Wise to the Crossroads Regional Library Board;

**tabled action on a contract for upkeep on the lawn at the Farm Center; **confirmed it had decided to follow the recommendations of Dr. Mike Haley concerning the size of a new jail to be built in New Brockton;

**decided to meet with a Dozier, Alabama, company about a \$1450 bill received for rental of a rubber tire roller for seven months and one week (no purchase order was made on the rental);

**voted to purchase an unoperable motor grader from Covington County for \$3000 to be used for spare parts for a county machine in need of repair;

**tabled discussion about the need to begin bush-hogging right-of-way along county roads;

**agreed to send out invitations to bid on two new 1 1/2-ton trucks for use in the highway department;

**voted to send out invitations to bid on a new front-end loader;

**entered an agreement with the City of Elba allowing it to install water pipe along county right-of-way;

**instructed acting Highway Department head Billy DeVane to do repairs to a damaged truck in the county shop;

**agreed to assist the City of Enterprise in doing work on land now used as a target range;

**stated it would assist the City of Enterprise in doing repairs to a road slated to be paved;

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POOR ORIGINAL



Brainstorms

BY: FERRIN COX

Several of our Alabama legislators have announced they will introduce a bill to eliminate the "Legislative Immunity" so widely touted as the reason for recently ignoring DWI charges against a Birmingham lawmaker. He claimed he was on legislative business at the time. The law does address situations such as lawmakers on legislative business, but we believe it was intended to prevent arresting and jailing a lawmaker to keep him from voting against something the local power brokers favored. We favor removal of this law before some drunk elected official gets real cocky, drives down the highway and hurts or kills some of my folks... or you.

We got a bit of information several weeks ago that former Attorney General Bill Baxley was having trouble raising the money to run for governor and was considering stepping down to lieutenant governor. Then it became apparent that George Wallace was going to run for another term as governor, and since Baxley had already said he wouldn't run against Wallace, he had a perfect above-board reason for stepping out of the governor's race.

Another bit of information we got some time back was that the feds weren't going to accept Alabama's reapportionment plan. In fact we understand there is already another plan almost ready that will be accepted. It is not with the official approval of the legislature... and they ain't made their self-interest changes yet... but it will clear the race issue problem. All our local legislators try to avoid discussing this tough matter when we ask them for details, but we are sure they are at least aware of what is happening, even though it ain't politically wise to admit such things.

We went fishing again with No. 2 son. He got his trusty "Snappy" fishing rod by Zebco tangled up in a bed of big shellcrackers at Grandpa's pond, and it got ye ole editor worrying about just who was going to clean all those fish. After convincing Granddaddy to keep half, and another maneuver or two, it wasn't such a bad deal after all. I also managed to get a picture or two he can put in his scrapbook to show his children.

Saturday we asked one of our political types that always knows what is happening. "What is the word on the probate race?" Well he gave one of those mystic answers we so often get in this business... "Someone will be by to talk with you next week." Well, this was the most we have heard in months and we didn't push the issue, having learned over the years that there would be no more details regardless of how hard we pushed. However, here it is that the week is almost over, and we still haven't had a visit from anyone talking about the probate race.

If the announced plans go through, the Coffee County Lake will be a fine local recreational area. Senator Wallace Miller and Representative Jimmy Holley did a bit of horse trading and arm-twisting in Montgomery to get the project approved, and should be congratulated. Also the involvement of the Chamber of Commerce kept those in Montgomery making the promises to our legislative delegation reminded of their agreement... Tuesday Commissioner John McMillan visited Elba and announced a great plan for expanding facilities at the lake. We congratulate all of them and share their views on the great potential of the area.

We had a great time Tuesday evening at the meeting with General Telephone officials. Some of the problems presented to the company officials seemed to be almost impossible, but over the years we have learned that nothing is impossible. After the meeting, we chatted with the company officials and they seemed to be very concerned about some of the problems related in relationship to out-of-service problems. They noted they could sit in the office all day reading reports and not get the full impact of the problems the telephone users were experiencing. We too are going to follow up and see if service improves to those voicing complaints Tuesday night.

We don't have a report to make on the selling of the hospital nor on the securing of new doctors, but will keep you posted. Actually the idea of selling the hospital is not anything but an idea today, and pro-or-con discussions are quite a bit early right now.

McCahan To Receive Nursing Degree At Samford

Dale Anita McCahan, of Samford University in grad. New Brockton, will receive nursing exercises Saturday, the Bachelor of Science May 22 at the university degree in nursing from

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BPW-2nd Monday, 7 p.m. - Holley's Restaurant

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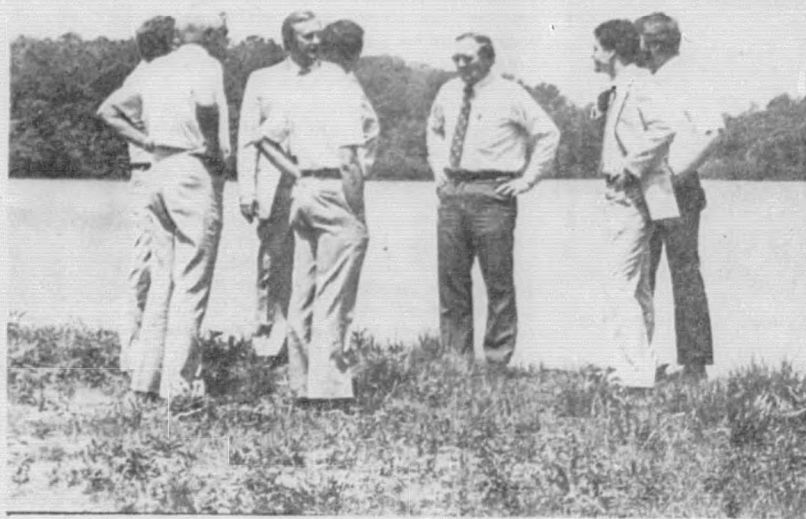
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SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION John Osburn presents plaque of appreciation to outgoing Elba School Board member Doug Martin.



CITY, COUNTY AND STATE officials discuss proposed improvements to be made at the Coffee County Lake.

A detailed report on the \$150,000 capital improvements announced for the Coffee County Lake is being held until next week due to the failure of drawings to arrive by presstime Wednesday. We will publish this material, which is somewhere between Elba and Montgomery, upon its arrival.

Letters To The Editor

Dear Mr. Cox,

For several weeks we have been contemplating writing to you and after reading your Brainstorm column in last week's paper we knew it was time for us to express our opinion on the sale or lease of Elba General Hospital.

You expressed in one of the paragraphs that you thought the citizens of Elba should have a say in the future of the hospital. The citizens certainly do have this right, but how can they express an opinion based only on the sentimental facts you have presented to them about the hospital? We do not feel they have been given any of the facts about the true financial condition of the facility. They can only see some "outside" coming into the black of night and taking their dream away because this is how you feel, and this is the only side that has been presented to them. What has happened to the old "town" meeting when folks get together and all the facts and figures could be given to the people? We believe this is what the people in Elba need before it is too late.

We live in Crestview, Florida, and will be moving to Enterprise, Alabama, in June. Crestview has a beautiful new three-story hospital that is owned by an "outsider", and Enterprise also has a modern medical facility that is owned by an "outsider". I never dashed

on us to ask who owned or leased either facility, but it was important to us that there would be this facility if we should ever need it. Who cares who owns the hospital, so long as there is one and there are good doctors and nurses to serve the community. In our opinion this should be the most important thing to our friends in Elba.

Many years ago the Elba General Hospital was a wooded area and only a dream to a lot of people. The dream became a reality but the reality is fast becoming a disaster because people in authority are standing by and letting their son-in-law take over the hospital. We understand that the fact is that Elba is going to lose the hospital completely if something is not done soon to lift the burden.

We're sure you're saying, "Why are these two men so concerned about Elba when they don't even live here?" We care about Elba because it will always be our "home town". We love the people and we feel like they are being kept in the dark about a situation that will affect everyone. We feel like if they knew all the facts they would form their opinions about the future of the hospital from the brains and heart and not just from their heart.

Sincerely and in friendship,

GARY & BETSY HARRISON

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Police Report

The Elba Police Department reported a quiet week with only 4 arrests made for highway intoxication, driving under the influence and speeding (2). The following are actual excerpts from the police docket for Tuesday, May 4 thru Monday, May 10.

TUESDAY, MAY 4
7:39 a.m.-Rescue Squad requested at home on 84 West
8:00 a.m.-Stray dogs reported at Work Release Center
3:58 p.m.-Stray dogs reported on Hickman Avenue
4:21 p.m.-Stray dogs reported at Theresa Street
7:43 p.m.-Wreck reported on 84 near Gene's Auto Sales
8:30 p.m.-Civil disturbance reported at Bullard Apts.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5
11:45 a.m.-Fire reported at wadletteria on Reese Ave.
12:36 p.m.-Woman caller on Ann St. reported someone picked up a dead dog in front of her house
2:03 p.m.-Wreck reported on Collins St.
2:18 p.m.-Stray dogs reported at R & H Motors
5:51 p.m.-Patrolman is stopping possible intoxicated driver on 84 West.

Industrial Appreciation Day Planned For Elba

The Elba Jaycees and the Elba Chamber of Commerce have joined forces in planning an Industrial Appreciation Day for Saturday, May 22.

The inner square of the Elba Courthouse square will be blocked off and several of the area high school bands will play throughout the day.

Local gospel singing groups will also be on hand to entertain. The bluegrass band "Back Springs" will entertain during the afternoon (in promotion of the June 11-12 Jaycees Bluegrass Festival).

Our area industries will have displays on the square to better inform the people of our area of their services and products.

Participants in an elementary school poster contest, "What Elba Industry Means To Me," will be displayed and the winners will be recognized.

We hope this will be a day of entertainment for everyone. Please make plans to be with us.

Services for the handicapped will be available to kindergarten students.

Deaths

WILLIAM ARTHUR BULLARD
Mr. William Arthur Bullard, 70, of Elba, died May 11, 1982 in his home after a long illness.

Funeral services are being held today (Thursday) May 13, at 2 p.m. at Westside Baptist Church with Rev. Howard Foreman and Rev. Billy Henderson officiating. Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Gladys Goodson Bullard, Elba; One son - Bill J. Bullard, Elba;

One daughter - Mrs. Elizabeth Hornsby, Panama City, Florida;

One brother - John Henry Bullard, Brundidge;

Two sisters - Mrs. Sue Hickman and Mrs. Sybil Ross, both of Brundidge;

Four grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

BEATRICE KING
Beatrice King, 62 of Opp, died May 8, 1982, at Mizell Memorial Hospital. Services were conducted from the Rainer Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Leonard Steel officiating.

Survivors include her husband, Mr. O.B. King, two daughters, Dorothy E.

in Kennedy Estates, 8:43 a.m.-Stray dogs reported on Brantley Hwy. just outside city limits.

10:02 a.m.-Hospital reported a patient in emergency room had been assaulted.

9:28 p.m.-Caller complained of loud music on Hwy 84 past stockyard.

9:50 p.m.-Police instructed to be on outlook for 1974 Olds stolen in Hartford.

11:31 p.m.-Wreck reported at intersection of 166 and 84 at Curtis Community, a truck jackknifed.

FRIDAY, MAY 7
8:45 a.m.-Disturbance reported at Ward Trailer Park

9:30 a.m.-Rescue Squad requested at City Barn.

1:00 p.m.-Stray dogs reported at Cedar Lane Drive.

1:37 p.m.-Stray dogs reported at Brunson Circle.

2:12 p.m.-Wreck in front of Texas station.

2:50 p.m.-Caller complained about a brown bulldog at Little Beaver Trailer Ct.

MONDAY, MAY 10
8:02 a.m.-Stray dogs reported at National Guard Army.

1:38 p.m.-Rescue Squad requested at scene of wreck five miles past cemetery on 189.

5:00 p.m.-Disturbance reported at home on Cedar Lane Drive.

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Green Giant Kernel or Cream GOLDEN CORN 2 16 oz. 88¢

Green Giant Blue Lake French Style GREEN BEANS 2 16 oz. 88¢

Green Giant Whole or Sliced MUSHROOMS 2.5 oz. 69¢

Green Giant Pieces & Stems or Sliced MUSHROOMS n Butter Sauce 3.5 oz. 79¢

Green Giant Cut GREEN BEANS 2 16 oz. 88¢

POOR ORIGINAL



BUNIE STRICKLAND

Sr. Citizen Of The Week

By NITA LACKEY

"She has always been a loving, kind and sweet mother," said Mrs. Strickland. "She always had a lot of patience with us. She was always gentle and kind, and trusted in the Lord when things didn't go exactly right," Mrs. Martin said. "She was always sure to get mad," she added.

Mrs. Strickland was born December 8, 1902. She was the daughter of Tom and Laura Lawford. Mrs. Strickland went to school at the Vanderbilt school, near Victoria. Her two sons also attended school there.

"I love my two girls. They're all I've got to look to now," said Mrs. Strickland. However, she said, "The people are good to me here."

Bessie Harrison, Mrs. Strickland's only surviving sister, is also in the Elba Nursing Home. Mrs. Strickland had one brother and another sister, both who are now deceased. They were George Lawford and Eunice Harrison.

One of the first American magazines, The General Magazine, founded by Benjamin Franklin in 1741, carried the first known American magazine advertisement.

Rock . . . It's Your

Decision will be shown at First Baptist Church of Elba on Wednesday night, May 19 at 6:00 o'clock. This film deals with one of the major areas facing Christian youth today. Its characters are regular people from a typical church, each with varying opinions and tastes in music, but most without any Biblical basis for their choices.

As the story unfolds, they are confronted with facts about "rock" that provoke strong reactions of each of them.

Rock . . . It's Your Decision is for all teenagers of Elba and surrounding community, and all concerned parents who have teenagers or middle school children.

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CHURCH EVENTS

HOME COMING AT MT. ZION BAPTIST

At Mt. Zion Baptist Church at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, May 16, with guest speaker Don Leggett.

Regular morning services will be held, with dinner on the ground at Noon and

Twenty-three fourth, fifth and sixth-grade choir members of First Baptist Church will present a praise musical Sunday night, May 16, entitled "Kids' Praise 2." The musical will be held at the church and will begin at 7 p.m.

The presentation will feature "Psalms," the singing songbook, portrayed by Karen Grider. This bellowing blue book continues to each child, through animated, peppy dialogue and musical arrangements, the principles of worship and praise.

The choir has been invited to perform the musical in several churches and for the Elba Middle School and third grade.

The whole family can enjoy this evening, which will be packed with refreshing entertainment as well as spiritual content.

special quartet singing in the afternoon.

Pastor Zema Danford invites all interested persons.

Revival ELBA CHURCH OF GOD W. Simmons Street will have revival services Wednesday, May 12 through Sunday, May 16, with services to begin nightly at 7:00.

HOME COMING The Elba Church of God will also have Homecoming on May 16, with lunch to be served at the noon hour and singing in the afternoon.

The Sunday night service will begin at 6 o'clock.

Evangelist will be Rev. Kenneth Stroup.

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Kleinert's Salutes Employees of Month



SHIRLEY MILLER

Shirley Miller has been with Kleinert's since May 9, 1975. She works under the supervision of Linda Farris. Shirley has a good understanding and attitude toward her fellow workers and is able to locate and solve problems quickly.

She has three children and one granddaughter. Shirley, age 17, Tabatha, age 16, Brian, age 12. They attend Elba school system. Her granddaughter, Brandi, is 11 months old.

Shirley's hobbies are football, fishing and reading.

A little flour mixed in to the remains of melted chocolate in the pan can get the last bit of chocolate out of the pan and into the cake batter.

Roy's wife, Tammy, works at Hardee's, where she has been since its opening.

Roy's hobbies are fishing and hunting.

Roy is always alert, and willing to lend a helping hand to his fellow employees. He is the kind of worker whose supervisor would be proud of. He does his job to the best of his ability; minor problems he handles himself, but major problems he brings to the attention of his supervisor. He also has an excellent attendance record.

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From Our EARLY FILES

TEN YEARS AGO MAY 11, 1972

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***To be recognized during Honors Day at Troy State is Mary Sue Griffin of Elba.

***Candidates from Coffee County for degrees at the University of Alabama are: Mary Olive C. Brown, Suzanne Prior Stokes, Elba; Danny Paul Wise - Kinston; Hampton Holland Hogg - New Brockton.

***Jesse H. Clements, a native of Columbia, Alabama, with ten years experience in the furniture business, is manager of the Skinner Furniture Store in Elba. He and his wife, Estelle, came to Elba from Eufaula. The Skinner Corporation has purchased White Furniture Company.

***Kleinert's of Elba has been selected as the nation to produce infants or children's sleepwear under the new federal safety act. Modeling one of the garments is Damon Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don (Patsy) Jones.

***EHS Report: Cutesy Couple - Gena Kendrick and Jeff Kimbo: What would you do if you inherited a million dollars, and had only a week to spend it? Bryan Grimes - Buy a bicycle and leave home; Kathy Pope - Bribe Mrs. Adkins for an Algebra grade; Randall Paul - Make funeral arrangements; Susan Stokes - Get fat; Gena Kendrick - Spend it; Mr. and Mrs. George Wise - Cpl. Jake Wambles is presently assigned on Okinawa.

***Personal: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wambles and family and Mrs. J.J. Sessions, Grady Address, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Morris and J.J. Sessions.

***Mrs. M.C. Boutwell entertained with a lovely party in her home last Saturday night in honor of her daughter, Frances, on her 14th birthday. After the number of games, cake and ice cream, the group attended the theatre. Those enjoying the party were the honoree: Olivia Weed of Weedville; Evelyn Whitman, Nina English, Christine Nevels, Peggy Lunsford, Jeanette Horn, Lamar Ballard, Jimmie Childs, Holman Taylor, Jack Brunson Jr., Oscar Vaughan, Fred Harper Jr., Lotus Ham, Gerald Johnson, Charles Walsh and Boyd Rowland.

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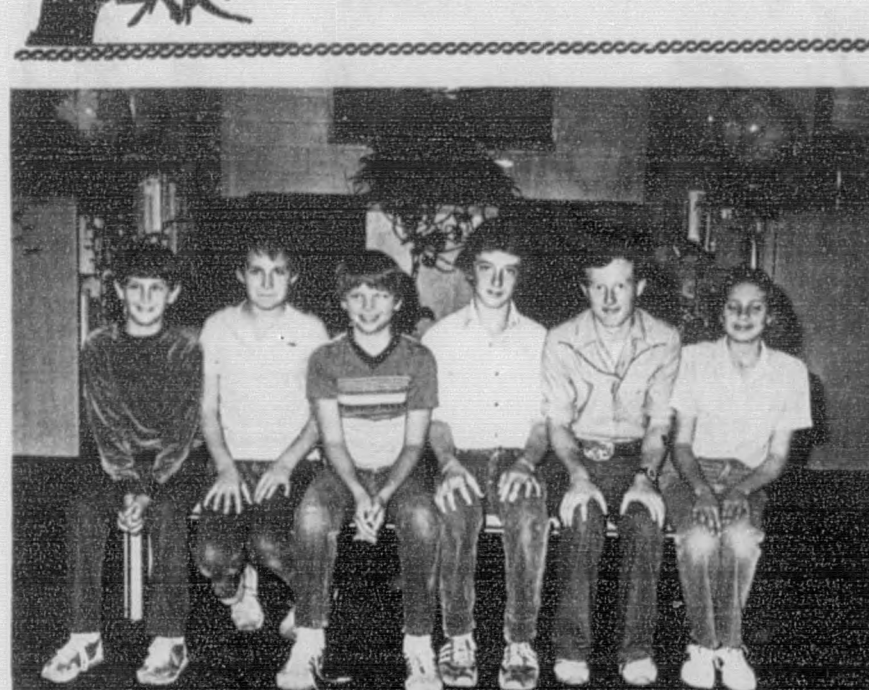
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Zion Chapel Rebel News



Veteran's Children Eligible For Scholarships

BY ALISON MADDOX & TERRIE CARTER

Children or spouses of certain veterans may be eligible for free tuition, instructional fees, and books in any state-supported institution of higher learning or state trade school in Alabama. In order to obtain a scholarship or more of the following conditions must be met:

1. A parent or spouse who was an honorable service member in the U.S. Armed Forces.
2. A parent or spouse who was a permanent resident of Alabama for at least one year immediately prior to entry into his initial term of service.
3. A parent or spouse who was totally and permanently disabled as a result of service at the time of death or who lived in Alabama for five years prior to death.
4. A parent or spouse who is totally and permanently disabled as a result of service and who has lived in Alabama for five years or more.
5. A parent or spouse who died in service or from a disability incurred during a period of honorable service.
6. A parent or spouse who had a "service-connected" disability of at least 40 percent at the time of death.
7. A living parent or spouse who now has a "service-connected" disability of at least 40 percent.
8. A parent who was a prisoner of war of the Vietnam conflict.
9. A parent or spouse lived in Alabama in active service.
10. A parent or spouse who has a "service-connected" disability rated at 20 or 30 percent that was incurred in World War II.

A service officer of the Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs will be happy to answer questions about the Alabama G.I. and Dependents Educational Benefit Act and to file an application for these benefits. The Office County Veterans Service Officer is John H. Taylor. The VSO's office is located at the Courthouse Annex, Elba, Alabama. The telephone number is 897-2924 and the office hours are from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

ZC Weightlifters

BY TERRIE CARTER

Kevin Flowers, 148 pound ZC lifter, broke a state record for bench pressing by lifting 230 pounds while competing against other teams in a weightlifting contest held recently at Laverne. The old record for Kevin's weight class was 225 pounds. Kevin's total weight lift for the day including the bench press, the dead lift, and squat lift was 610 pounds. He scored two of the team's total points. Kevin holds this record with Marvin Booker from Brantley.

Steve Nelson and Wayne Nelson also broke a state record, but before the tournament was over, it was rebroken. The old record for the 105 pounds weight class was 470 pounds. Later, Bryan Subbs from Laverne lifted a total of 490 pounds to set a new record. Steve added 5 points to the team score with Wayne adding 3.

Some of the parts required a piano accompaniment, and they were played by Coach Mike Lindsey and Sherri Chancellor.

Sheets, and Helen Baker. The others who received superior ratings were Lauri Dwyer, Kim Smith, Dedie Fuller, Janet Stewart, Ginger Rouzong, Brenda Mobley, and Ginger Green.

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Solo and Ensemble Festival Held

BY LAURI ANN DOSTER

The Zion Chapel Band recently had several members participating in the Solo and Ensemble Festival held at the Enterprise State Junior College. This was the first year Zion Chapel had entered this festival, and proved to be a rewarding experience for each one that participated. No one who

entered received a score lower than a three. There were 24 people who participated and 13 of them received a (one) superior rating. Out of the 24 who participated, 6 of them were sixth graders and all of them received a superior rating. They were Pete Bryan, Vanessa Hudson, Patrick Marler, Wayne Davis, Tracey

Wilson Named to Study Committee

BY JUDY HELMS

Ben Wilson, a teacher from Coffee County who teaches driver education at both Zion Chapel and New

Brookton was sworn in as a member of the State Courses of Study Committee. Mr. Wilson's term will continue until 1987. April 28, 1982, marks the beginning of the committee's study, evaluation, preparation, and revision of the courses of study for the elementary and secondary schools of Alabama.

The committee consists of

Seniors Visit MacArthur Tech

BY LISA TAYLOR

Are your interests drafting, welding, or cosmetology? These were just a few of the study areas shown to the Zion Chapel Seniors when they were touring the MacArthur campus.

Before they began their tour, they were welcomed by two administrators who talked to them about what all they would be seeing throughout the tour. They were then divided into two groups with the Student Government officers as their guides.

They got to see each department and a demonstration of the work done in each. When they got to the data processing department, each student had the opportunity to see how the system operated. Everyone was given a computer printout of a 1982 Snappy calendar.

Rhonda Baker Wins State Title

Rhonda Baker, ZC student, won first place in the Office Procedures Competition at the Future Business Leaders of America State Convention in Montgomery, Alabama, July 1-5.

Other ZC students who attended the conference were Jeff Amberg, Lori McHaffey, and Cindy Baker.

As district vice president, Jeff Amberg presided over the District IV meeting Saturday morning and during the conference he competed for Mr. FBLA. Lori competed for Mrs. Who in FBLA. Cindy was one of the two visiting delegates.



Baccalaureate Services Set For May 16

BY ROBBIN DAY

Schools across the United States traditionally hold Baccalaureate services for their graduating seniors. According to the Webster's Student Dictionary, a baccalaureate is a sermon to a graduating class.

Following the tradition and the definition, Zion Chapel will hold its services on Sunday night, May 16, 1982, at 7:30 p.m., in the high school gym. The speaker will be Reverend Ben Amberg who is pastor of the Zion Chapel Baptist Church. Providing the musical entertainment will be Richard and Lisa Hider.

The public is invited to share this special evening with the class of 1982.

Zion Chapel Has Jr.-Sr. Prom

BY LAURI ANN DOSTER

"Together As One" was the theme of the 1981-82 prom presented to the Zion Chapel Senior class in the junior class. The prom was held in the Adams Center Ballroom on the Troy State

WHO'S WHO

BY DONNA LYNN FOLEY

Ann Sawyer, sophomore daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Sawyer, was chosen Best Dressed for the ZC Who's Who. Ann's favorite subject is biology and her hobbies are going to the beach, looking at fine guys, and watching sports. She is a member of the Beta Club, FHA, Science Club, and she is also president of her class. Besides being popular with her classmates, she was chosen 1981-82 sophomore homecoming attendant.

Jeff Amberg, senior, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Amberg, was also chosen Best Dressed. Jeff's favorite subject is accounting and his hobbies are playing football, girls, girls, and more girls. He is a member of FBLA and the Z Club. After graduation Jeff plans to attend Troy State and major in business. Jeff is the District IV vice president of the Future Business Leaders of America.



EHS Black & Gold Review



The cheerleaders prepare the tacos as the customers wait to be served. Pictured left to right, Susan Dorsey, Susan King, Wendy Bowers, Gina Donaldson, Kim Whitman, and Stacy Carpenter. Not pictured: Millie Pearce, Dawn Smith, Sheila Johnson, and Lisa Moore.

Cheerleaders Sponsor Taco Supper

The 1982-83 varsity cheerleaders of Elba High School sponsored a taco supper Friday night, April 30, to help raise money to send them to cheerleader camp, which will be held on the campus of Auburn University in August.

The cheerleaders will be holding their fund raising events and sales throughout the summer, such as raffish, car washes, doughnut sales, and holding their own camp for area cheerleaders.

The varsity cheerleaders would like to thank everyone who purchased a ticket and supported them throughout the sale.

Miss Elba Contestants



BENITA EARL WILLIS is the 17 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R.M. Willis. She is a member of F.H.A., Sr. Beta Club, and the Society of Distinguished American High School Students. Her hobbies and interests are keeping scrapbooks, reading, and swimming. After high school, Benita plans to attend Enterprise State Junior College.

JESSICA LYNN HUDSON, 17, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy H. Hudson. She is a member of the VICA Club and works part time at the Little Beaver. Her hobbies are swimming, jogging, playing tennis, and her interests include helping the elderly and spending time with her friends. After high school, Jessica plans to attend Enterprise State Junior College and major in special education.

SIXTEEN-YEAR-OLD RENEE COON is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.K. Coon. She is a member of the Youth for Christ, Sr. Beta Club, and treasurer of the VICA Club. She also works part time as a secretary for a local attorney. Her hobbies include reading, sewing, baking, talking on the telephone, and being with friends. After high school, Renee plans to attend Troy State University and become a legal secretary.

RYLA ANN BRADSHAW is the 16-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bradshaw. She is a member of F.H.A. and secretary of CA's at the First Assembly of God Church. Her interests are reading, jogging, and swimming. After high school, Sylvia plans to attend Enterprise State Junior College.



KAREN GARLAND, 17, is the daughter of W.F. and land. She is a member of F.H.A. and her hobbies are karate and swimming. After high school, she plans to attend college.

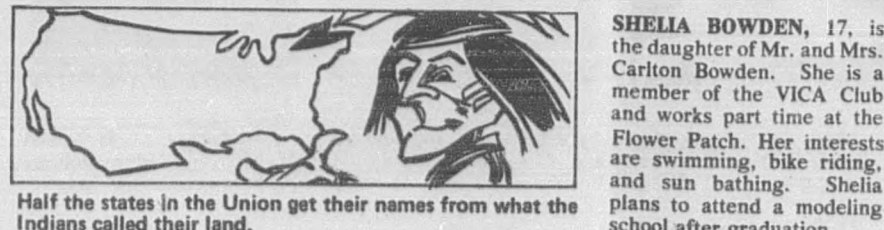
JUDY STEPHENSON, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Stephenson. Her hobbies and interests are swimming and cooking. After high school, Judy plans to attend college.

KIMBERLY KAY WHITMAN, the 17 year old daughter of Mr. Ann Whitman, is a member of the Sr. Beta Club, Mu Alpha Theta, F.H.A., secretary of the Junior Academy of Science and a reporter for the school news. She is a varsity cheerleader and was selected to Who's Who Among American High School Students. Kim also received the National Science and English Merit Awards. Her hobbies and interests are jogging, cheering, and music. After high school, Kim plans to attend Enterprise State Junior, later transferring to Troy State in major in fashion merchandising.

Annual Spring Concert

The Elba sixth and seventh grade bands will give their annual Spring Concert on Thursday, May 20. Their performance will be at 7:00 p.m. in the Elba High School auditorium. The concert, under the direction of Mr. Barry Taff, will last no longer than one hour.

The sixth grade band is composed entirely of first-year band students, and the seventh grade band is all third-year students. Both groups have been working hard to prepare a program for your listening enjoyment. Come and support the future of the Elba Band Program.



State Office Candidate



JOHN MEACHUM

John Meachum, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Meachum of Elba, has been selected to represent the southeast district as a state FFA officer candidate. John was selected by a committee made up of three agricultural teachers, one state officer and Mr. H.N. Lewis, the district FFA specialist. John's accomplishments in the Elba FFA chapter include getting his green-hand degree in the 9th grade

and serving as chapter sentinel. He also attended the state convention as an official delegate in 1980.

In the 10th grade, John received his chapter farmer degree, served as chapter president, was a member of the livestock and dairy judging teams, was interviewed to be a state officer, and was selected as district sentinel. He also received his state farmer degree, served on the County Corps at the state convention, and was the chairman for Coffee County at the district leadership workshop.

This year John is in the 11th grade, and he is serving again as chapter president. He won the county public speaking contest, is a member of the FFA Quartet, and was selected to be the district state officer candidate. He will also serve as the southeast district president for 1982-83.

John will now go to the state convention in June and be interviewed by this year's state officer team and Mr. C.W. Reed, the state executive advisor. There will be eight districts represented, and only six officers will be chosen.

Congratulations, John, and best of luck at the state.

Science Club Officers

The Science Club had a meeting on May 6 to elect officers for the upcoming year. The new officers are as follows: president, Connie Clay; vice president, Stacey Carpenter; secretary, Tiffany Harper; and treasurer, Aleah Hudson.

The council representatives are from 10th grade, Stacy Santa Rosa; 11th

grade, Beverly McCall; and 12th grade, Kim Whitman.

We discussed many projects to earn money for the coming year. Candy Berry and Stanley Moore gave advice on different projects that we could do for the year fair. The meeting was adjourned until next school year.

Secretary, Tiffany Harper

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This young group of boys and girls will graduate from Mrs. Elsie Clark's Happy Times Kindergarten Friday, May 14. Pictured above are (front row, left to right) Wesley Johnson, Dawn Grimes, Jason Watson, Jennifer Williams; (middle row, left to right) Tracey Suttlev, Jason Paul, Sharon Young, Josh Burkett; (back row, left to right) Chastity Ledford, Kim Hollinghead, Ramey Bryan, Leslie Gwin.



Mrs. Moore Is Guest Speaker At Study Club

The Elba Study Club held its May meeting in the Elba Public Library with Mrs. L. J. Dismukes and Mrs. W. M. Ringsdorf as hostesses. Mrs. Fred Moore, of the Elba Rescue Squad gave the most informative discussion with a demonstration of CPR. Mrs. Edlow Bryan presided over the business meeting in the absence of the president, Mrs. Sellers. Mrs. Claxton Hornsby was welcomed as a visitor. The membership committee reported Mrs. L.F. Inman was voted into the club as a new member. Miss Garrett reported a sum of \$610 being given at the Silver Tea for the

American Legion Holds Monthly Meeting

At the regular monthly meeting of the American Legion and Auxiliary the night made by members of the Auxiliary was won by Mr. Joseph Moore of Elba. The drawing was conducted by President Mrs. Eric Crook and Mrs. Lena Harrison. The lucky name was drawn by Gold Star member, Mrs.

Jenny Crook. Commander Wayne Harrison reported that Mayor Bob English was not in favor of paying the American Legion more rent for use of the American Legion Building. The ten year lease will soon expire. Plans were made for a softball tournament to be held at Legion Field soon.

News Of Interest To Our Readers

Many Activities

Scheduled At ESJC

The Enterprise State Junior College Singers and Entertainers will present a spring concert, "Together Again!" on Friday, May 14, 7:30 p.m. The concert will be held in the Student Center Building. The public is invited and no admission will be charged.

The ESJC Community Band—a group of Wiregrass musicians under the direction of Elba High School band director Steve Thompson—will present tunes from the big band era and today's popular tunes at their annual jazz band concert at 7 p.m. Monday, May 17, at Enterprise State Junior College. No admission will be charged.

The band plays at campus activities such as basketball games and presents a jazz concert at the end of each school year. Anyone who plays a musical instrument is eligible to participate. Rehearsals are held on Tuesdays during the school year and anyone wishing to join the band should contact Dr. Richard Snyder at ESJC or Steve Thompson.

If you are interested in attending summer classes at Enterprise State Junior College, you can pre-register and pre-pay from now until June 4. If you pre-register by May 19 you may pre-pay at the time of pre-registration or during formal registration on June 7. For more information on registration or college entrance, come by the Registrar's Office or call 347-2623.



ENJOYING SPRING—Vickie Ellison, Elba, May Calendar Girl at Enterprise State Junior College, takes a break from classes to enjoy the springtime weather. Vickie, the daughter of Sam and Marie Ellison, is a freshman majoring in secretarial science with a medical emphasis.



THESE STUDENTS from Brantley High School were among the 2200 high school students who traveled to Auburn University on Friday, April 16 for the annual Ag - Home Ec - Vet Medicine Day. Here, from left - Ricky Hall, Randy Johnson and George Smith observe a cattle exhibit prepared by the Department of Animal and Dairy Sciences. The day's activities included viewing displays and demonstrations in agriculture and other related fields, topped off with a barbecued chicken lunch and music provided by a bluegrass band and the University Singers.

Recipe

BUTTERSCOTCH COFFEE CAKE

2 1/2 cups self-rising flour
2 cups brown sugar, dark or light
1 tsp. salt
2/3 cup margarine or butter
1 cup buttermilk
2 eggs, well beaten
1 tsp. vanilla
1/2 tsp. cinnamon (optional)
Combine - flour, sugar, salt and margarine. Mix until crumbly. Reserve 1/2 cup crumb mixture. To remaining crumbs, add milk, eggs, and vanilla (add cinnamon here if desired). Mix well. Pour into two 8-inch pans and sprinkle with reserved crumbs. Bake in moderate oven (375 degrees) for 25 to 30 minutes. May glaze with confectioners' sugar-milk glaze if desired.

Card Of Thanks

We thank each and every relative, church family, friend and neighbor for all acts of kindness (they are too numerous to list) shown to us during my recent surgeries and recuperation. Most importantly, we thank you for sending up your very best prayers. God bless each of you.

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Anna, age 2, is the daughter of Tom and Chris Head of Elba. Jennifer, age 8, and Jeffrey, age 4, are the children of Ronnie and Donna Hornsby of Route 4, Elba. Michael, age 8, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Holloway of Claxton Avenue.

Miss Herrington Named National Award Winner



TERRI ANN HERRINGTON



Miss Williams

To Intern At WJHN-TV

Miss Debbie Williams was recently notified of her acceptance for internship with WJHN-TV, Channel 18 Dothan, beginning on June 15. She will be under the supervision of Mr. Rick Brown, manager of WJHN.

Debbie graduated from Elba High School in 1979 and is presently a student at Troy State University majoring in broadcast journalism. She will be residing in Dothan with friends. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Williams of Elba.

A New Brockton High School student, Terri Ann Herrington, has been named a 1982 United States National Award winner in cheerleading. In fact, the Academy recognizes less than five percent of all American high school students.

Miss Herrington was nominated for this national award by Mrs. Margie Thomas, the varsity cheerleader sponsor at New Brockton. Miss Herrington will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, published nationally.

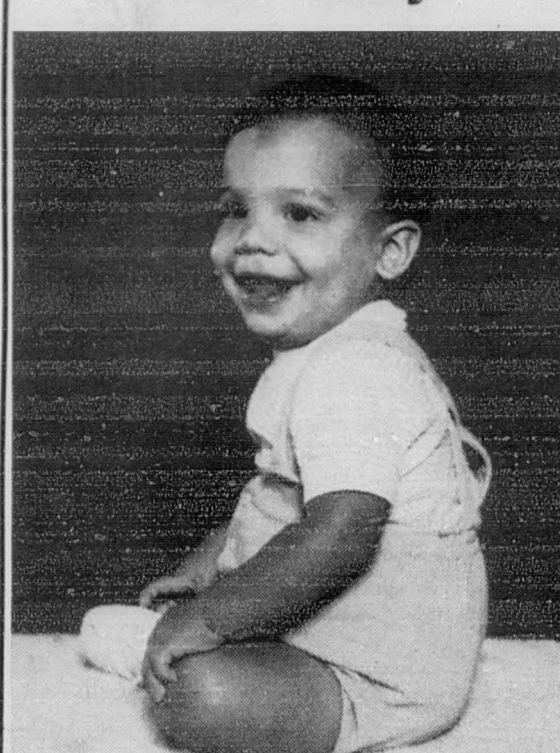
The Academy selects USAA winners upon the exclusive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors or other school sponsors and upon the Standards for Selection set forth by the Academy. The criteria for selection are a student's academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit, dependability, and recommendation from a teacher or director.

Miss Herrington is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Royce Herrington of Enterprise. Her grandparents are Mrs. Ruby Goodwin of Luverne, and Mr. and Mrs. John Herrington, of Coffee Springs.

Miss Dorsey To Have Piano Recital

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AMY BAXLEY, HOWARD FREE

Miss Baxley To Wed Mr. Free

Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Baxley of Elba announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy Joyce, to Howard Gordon Free, son of Mrs. Judith Free and the late Henry H. Free of Elba. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Wirt Baxley and the late Elma Baxley and Ruth Snell and the late Gary Snell, all of Dothan. Her great-grandparents are Mrs. Lone Baxley and Harvey J. Herndon of Dothan.

Grandparents of the prospective groom are Myrtle Free and the late Howard G. Free and Christine Worrell and the late Luther G. Worrell all of Elba. His great-grandmother is Mrs. Buna L. Drinkard of Elba.

Miss Baxley will graduate from Elba High School in May and she plans to attend Enterprise State Junior College. She is also employed at Harco Drugs of Elba. The future groom is a graduate of Elba High School. He graduated from Troy State University where he received a B.S. degree in computer-information science. He is employed as a systems programmer at Kleiner's, Inc. of Elba.

The wedding will be Saturday, June 26 at 5:00 p.m. at the Westside Baptist Church in Elba, with a reception following in the church fellowship hall. All relatives and friends of the couple are invited.

Rev. And Mrs. Arbogast Honored On 25th Anniversary By Church

The fellowship hall of the First Assembly of God on May 2, 1982, was the setting for a reception honoring Reverend and Mrs. James Arbogast on their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. The reception was hosted by the church congregation. The guests were greeted and registered by the charming Mrs. Susan Taylor. A lovely three-tiered cake was graciously served by Mrs. Jimmie Smith and Mrs. Edna Smart. A delicious fruit punch was served from a silver punch bowl by lovely hostesses, Mrs. Wayne Flowers and Mrs. Faye Johnson. At the piano was the talented Mark Bowers providing several musical selections. Delightful hostesses for the occasion were Betty Lawford, Diane Howell, Jane Bryan, and Annette Bradshaw. With love and appreciation, the congregation presented Reverend and Mrs. Arbogast with a card and a check for the purchase of a microwave oven.



Alpha Upsilon Meets

The home economics department of the Elba High School was the very appropriate setting for the April meeting of Alpha Upsilon Kappa Hostesses Mary Carney, Catherine Spurlin, and Pauline Allen welcomed members and guests. A salad plate, with nuts and jelly beans, and coffee were served after several minutes of chatter and laughter. Immediately following refreshments, Margaret Calhoun introduced the guest speakers, Myrna Rhoades and Nelda Coleman. The program theme was "Keeping Up To Date." Nelda and Myrna proved to be excellent speakers as they displayed and explained the latest fashions for women in lingerie, swimwear, sport clothes, casuals, and "dress up" dresses. They also showed all types of shoes and bags and made suggestions of color and types of clothing for all sizes from petite to extra large. After this delightful fashion show the speakers let everyone draw numbers to see who would get several attractive, useful gifts. Myrna and Nelda were then presented hanging ferns by the program committee, Margaret Calhoun, Kitye Ruth Coles, and Sandra Thornton. Pauline Allen presided over the business and made several announcements. Attending were Nellie English, Sandra Thornton, Theima Martin, Sue Mitchell, Patsy Britt, Margaret Calhoun, Kitye Ruth Coles, Catherine Spurlin, Mildred Harris, Cupidean Crook, Frances Holladay, Pauline Allen, Celeste Kelley, Mary Carney, Janice McCall, Helen McCollough, Becky Spiegner, Sharon Walker, and Jean Wakefield. Two pledges, Jill Owens and Janice Strickland were welcomed as were the three guests, Mary Young, Nelda Coleman and Myrna Rhoades.

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THE PRESSBOX

By, Ricky Mulars

The Dixie Youth and Babe Ruth seasons are underway and both leagues are really off to good starts! All the teams are well-balanced, which leads to exciting games, and large crowds have been on hand at all the games - which means plenty of cheering! It seems to me that even the coaches are excited about the season, because they are more vocal than ever and they're really taking an active part in the game. The teams are hustling, the crowds are cheering and the games are exciting. Yessir - it looks like it's going to be quite a season.

The men's softball league season is rolling merrily along, and it looks like the second half of the season will be more competitive than ever. In the past when the league was divided, some teams got caught in the upper division and then got beat on every game, but this year there appears to be at least seven teams that can compete with each other, which means both divisions will be equally divided. The second half should be fun.

Prior to the season, a lot of folks were afraid the high school ballfield wouldn't hold the men and the lights weren't good enough. However, the field is just fine and things are going smoothly. There are a lot of dead balls and a lot of free bases awarded, but only one window has been broken and all the players are just going along with rules. Maybe next year the ballfield will be a joke of the past.

The Elba Jaycees sponsored a men's tournament last week (the first of the year in Elba) and once Friday night's "moon" passed over, the event ran right on time. The tournament included nine local teams and seven from out of town, and the Elba Exchange Bank won the event, to keep the trophy in town. There were a lot of low scoring games and not many home runs due to a northerly wind, but the tournament was filled with action and enjoyed by all - (well, almost all). To me, the biggest surprise was the early exit of both Andalusia teams. Both clubs are almost unbeatable in their league and have won countless tournaments, but they simply had a bad weekend and went home empty-handed. Congratulations to Hugh Martin (tournament director) and the Jaycees for their fine tourney; it has become an annual event everyone looks forward to.

It is amazing to see how the New Brockton football program has grown under the leadership of Coach Leavy Boutwell. Before Boutwell became head coach, Brockton had never posted a winning season and the team was still well-known in football circles. Under his guidance, the program has developed into a football power among smaller schools and hasn't had a losing season in three years. More than just winning, Boutwell's teams have class and conduct themselves as athletes on and off the field. It is a class program!

This season, New Brockton's football program has become known statewide as two players have signed scholarships - Joseph Godwin with Alabama, and Joseph Burrows with Jacksonville. New Brockton fans had better watch out, because good, young coaches are a rare breed, and before long a bigger school might come knocking on Boutwell's door.

Finally, we've started an "off-the-wall club" behind the school for batters who hit home runs off the school building, and the club is already crowded. Here are the current members - Ronnie Mallory (2), Steve Williams (2), Lamar Sasser (3), Nip Ammons (2), Doug Lee (2), Joe Moulton, Joseph Godwin, Chris Pierce, Wayne Sautley (2), David Bailey and Mike Farris. That's the club - care to join? Just hit one!



Burrows signs with Jacksonville State

Joseph Burrows, a two-year starter at running back for the New Brockton Gamecocks, has signed a football scholarship with Jacksonville State University, a Division II power in the Gulf South Conference. Burrows, a 6-1 175-pound tailback, rushed for over 800 yards as a junior, and last season gained 108 yards in 201 carries. As a senior, Burrows also had 160 yards in receptions and 140 yards on returns, which made him the total offense Alabama Conference.

Despite playing football only two seasons, the speedy Gamecock back was honored



Elba Exchange Bank wins Jaycee Tourney

The Elba Exchange Bank bounced back from a loss in the finals of the winner's bracket to win three straight games and claim the championship of the Elba Jaycees Softball Tournament held last weekend in Elba.

Morgan and Sons of Enterprise placed second. Day's Grocery of Troy finished third, and Lynda's Old Dutch of Enterprise placed fourth.

In their tourney opener the Bankers scored five runs in the fourth inning to rally and post a 10-5 come-from-behind victory over the Elba Merchants, while in their second game, a big four-run fourth inning lifted the Bankers to a 6-2 win over the Peoples Bank.

Win number three was a narrow 2-1 decision over Day's Grocery and put the Exchange Bank in the finals against the Bankers' bitter rivals, Morgan and Sons. In the game, the Bankers fell early and failed to convert late chances as they lost 2-1. Facing elimination the Bankers came back

strong and got their bats clicking to take the title! The first victim was Day's Grocery, who lost 15-5, and then came Morgan and Sons who took it on the chin 8-0 to force a final show down. The Bankers jumped on top 5-1 early in the final, but Morgan and Sons rallied behind a barrage of four home runs and took a 10-5 lead in the sixth inning. The Bankers scored five runs in the seventh to win it all!

Top hitters for the Elba Exchange Bank in the tourney were Darrell King with 14 hits, Mike Carney with 11, and Randy McKinney with 10.

Several Elba teams competed in the 10-team tourney, including the Peoples Bank, Fuller Brothers, Cook Chevrolet and the Elba Merchants, all of whom won one game. New Brockton Merchants won two games and tied for fifth.



Peoples Bank grabs lead

The Peoples Bank claimed an exciting 13-12 win over P&M Trucking in Monday night to remain unbeaten and moved atop the men's softball league standings with a moving 6-0 record.

Complete standings through May 10 are as follows: Peoples Bank, 6-0; P&M Trucking, 5-1; Elba Exchange Bank, 5-1; New Brockton Merchants, 5-1; Elba Merchants, 4-2; Roy's Package Store and Lounge, 4-2; Kleiner's, 3-3; Hickory Pit, 2-3; Hammond's Body Shop, 2-4; Fuller Brothers, 2-4; Cook Chevrolet, 2-5; IAM, 1-5; Work Release, 1-5; and Grimes Oil, 0-6.

Following are results of the games played since May 3:

Peoples Bank 13 P&M Trucking 12

Mike Farris ripped a three-run home run in the eighth inning to give the Peoples Bank a three-run lead, while the Bankers pulled ahead in the ninth to trip P&M Trucking 13-12 in a battle of league leaders. P&M built an 8-4 lead early in the game, and led 10-7 going into the seventh inning. But, the bankers rallied to tie the game and then won it in the eighth. Wayne Sautley got four hits to lead the bank, Kenneth Sautley added three, while Skip Rainer, Mike Farris, Nip Ammons and Dwight Dillard all added two. Jeff McDaniell and Rex Marler got three hits each for P&M, while Chris Pierce and Larry Jackson both added two.

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Godwin selected to play in grid all-star game

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Godwin, 6-2, 215 pounds, has signed a football scholarship with The University of Alabama, and when he takes the field for the All-Star game, he will be making his debut on the Crimson Tide's home field.

As a senior at New Brockton, Godwin made 91 tackles and 29 assists, despite playing in only seven games, due to injuries. At the Gamecocks' 1981 football banquet, Godwin was named Most Valuable Player, Team Captain, Top Tackler and Best Blocking Lineman. He was named All-County and All-Conference as both a junior and senior, and this season was a unanimous All-State selection.

16 inch limit set on bass at Crenshaw

Effective April 26, 1982, a 16-inch minimum size limit was placed on largemouth bass at Crenshaw County Lake.

The size limit is necessary to protect small bass in the lake so their numbers will increase, according to Bill Reeves, state lakes supervisor with the Game and Fish Division. Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. With higher numbers of small bass present, the number of forage fish, such as shad and small bluegill, will decline.

The 16-inch size limit has been successful at several

other state lakes in producing a more balanced fish population which results in better overall fishing.

If any Crenshaw County Lake fishermen have any

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A's pitchers baffle batters, lead team to two wins

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Following are brief recaps of last week's action:

A's 8 White Sox 1

John Hudson pitched a no-hitter and struck out eight batters in only five innings to lead the A's to an 8-1 win over the Dodgers.

The A's scored first in the season opener as Tim Dyess singled to open the second inning, moved to second on a single by Bill Bruckner and was forced home when David Ammons and Craig Murdoch drew walks. The White Sox came right back to knot the score at 1-1 in the bottom of the second as Bryan Payne walked, moved to second on a walk to James Wise, and scored on an error on a ball hit by Tommy Holt. Bill Bruckner singled in Leroy Cole in the third inning to put the A's on top for good at 2-1, and the A's added four runs in the fourth to stretch their lead to 6-1. Five straight walks resulted in two runs in the fourth inning outburst, while a single by Leroy Cole drove in the other two A's runs. The A's added two more runs in the fifth inning as the Cardinals are 1-0, while the leaders are followed by the Yankees, 1-1; Pirates, 1-1; Tigers, 0-1, and Astros, 0-2.

Following are highlights from the opening week's action:

Pirates 12 Yankees 2

The Pirates made their first game over one to remember as they dumped the Yankees 12-2. The teams battled through a scoreless first inning; however, a walk to Brett Bryan to open the second opened the gate and consecutive hits by Jimmy Stiffel, Keith Smith and Gabe Brooks and Lamar Stokes gave the Pirates a 3-0 lead.

Errors and Erich Payne sparked a Yankee rally that pulled them within 3-2, but the Pirates kept on hitting and ran away to the win.

Jimmy Stiffel and Keith Smith got three hits apiece to lead the Pirates, while Jason Johnson, Ralph Sanders, Brett Bryan, Bobby Stokes and Scott Kidd, Joe Brooks and Chris Thomas all added one hit, setting hits for the Yankees were Jerome Shepard, Jim Bowden, Erich Payne and Thomas Boswell.

Cardinals 9 Astros 4

Dwan Hooks tossed a three hitter and struck out 15 batters to lead the Cardinals to a 9-4 win over the Astros. The Cards took a 3-0 lead in the opening inning when Dwan Hooks ripped a bases loaded triple and their lead went to 6-0 before the Astros got on the board when Matt Henderson tripled in Troy. The Astros tried to rally in the game, but the Cards made the most of 12 walks and held on for the win.

Dwan Hooks got the only Cardinal hit, while Jason Moore and Matt Henderson both got hits for the Astros.

Gary Kelley got three hits to pace the Reds, Tim Flowers added two, and Mick Phillips, Wayne Jackson and Keith Daniels had one each. Terry Ware got three hits for the Dodgers.

Daniels and Tommy Crawley both added two, while Brian Reeves, state lakes supervisor with the Game and Fish Division, 64 North Union Street, Montgomery, AL 36103, or telephone 832-6330.

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County Lake To Get Facelift

Commissioner John McMillan of the Alabama Conservation Department was in Elba recently to join with Senator Wallace Miller and Representative Jimmy Holley in announcing a major addition to the facilities at the Coffee County Lake, just outside the Elba city limits. He acknowledged the active interest and full cooperation of the Elba Chamber of Commerce in this project.

The \$150,000 project will include 24 campsites, four pavilions of various sizes, two toddler play pens, two public bath houses and extensive landscape improvement. Approximately 50 additional picnic tables and grills will be included in the project.

At least one of the new pavilions will be located on the opposite side of the lake with access to it over a new access road, probably across a widening of the existing dam.

McMillan noted a sudden drop in federal funds for such projects, and said it was the tremendous cooperation of local governments such as Elba that has made it possible for them to continue improving recreation in Alabama.

Manager of the lake, Forrest Dean, presented records to this newspaper indicating that from January through the first of May there were 3403 people plus many children who had fished at the facility, catching over a ton of bream and many pounds of bass, crappie and catfish. He said that on Easter Sunday there were 20 fishermen and over 350 picnickers at the 86-acre lake.

The project work will actually begin in about three months, according to McMillan, and should be completed before next summer.

Council Discusses Recreation Needs

The Elba City Council met Monday night with all present except Councilman Charles Kennett who was absent due to a death in his family.

A routine report by Police Chief Dick Reeves led to a lively discussion on recreational needs of the city. Reeves reported he had been receiving complaints of beer drinking, loud profanity and pot-smoking by teenagers in both the Big Bear parking lot and Northwood Plaza. He noted that only a small percentage of the area teenagers was guilty of this law-breaking, and felt the entire group shouldn't be punished for the wrong-doing of a few.

Reeves also acknowledged the limited recreational facilities for local teenagers and asked the council for direction in solving the problem. He also questioned if some of the problem youths would use anything provided for them.

The council agreed with Reeves' suggestion that they make an effort to weed out violators that cause problems and make criminal charges against them, and not make mass arrests or run off all the youths.

When councilmen expressed concern over the recreation available, Mayor English suggested they plan on the recreational director attending the next meeting to discuss the recreation program.

The long-term lease on the American Legion building again was discussed. The council agreed to offer a compromise to the Legion of \$500 a year, on a year-to-year basis.

The councilmen agreed with Mayor English that even though they could legally hold the Legion to the \$100 a year for the next ten years, both the city and the Legion were dedicated to serving the people and not getting hung up on legalities. Councilman Cleo Hawkins noted it wasn't a matter of "them-against-us," because he and several other members of the council belonged to the Legion also.

The reason for making the lease a year-to-year thing is the proposed Senior Citizens Center proposed for the lot at the intersection of Tucker Street and Taylor Mill Road. The lot is owned by the city and funding would be by a federal grant presently being applied for through a special program.

The facility would include a 42 x 64 building with kitchen, dining facilities; office space and a large area for arts and crafts. Outside would be ample parking for automobiles and areas under shade trees for senior citizens to relax and enjoy games.

Winzell Gray addressed the council and requested bleachers be returned to the Mulberry recreational park. He noted there was a very active girls softball team that wasn't part of the Elba league, but which played host to

Brunson To Seek Office

Marion Brunson of Elba announced in a press conference Tuesday that he would be a candidate for probate judge in the Democratic primary September 7, 1982.

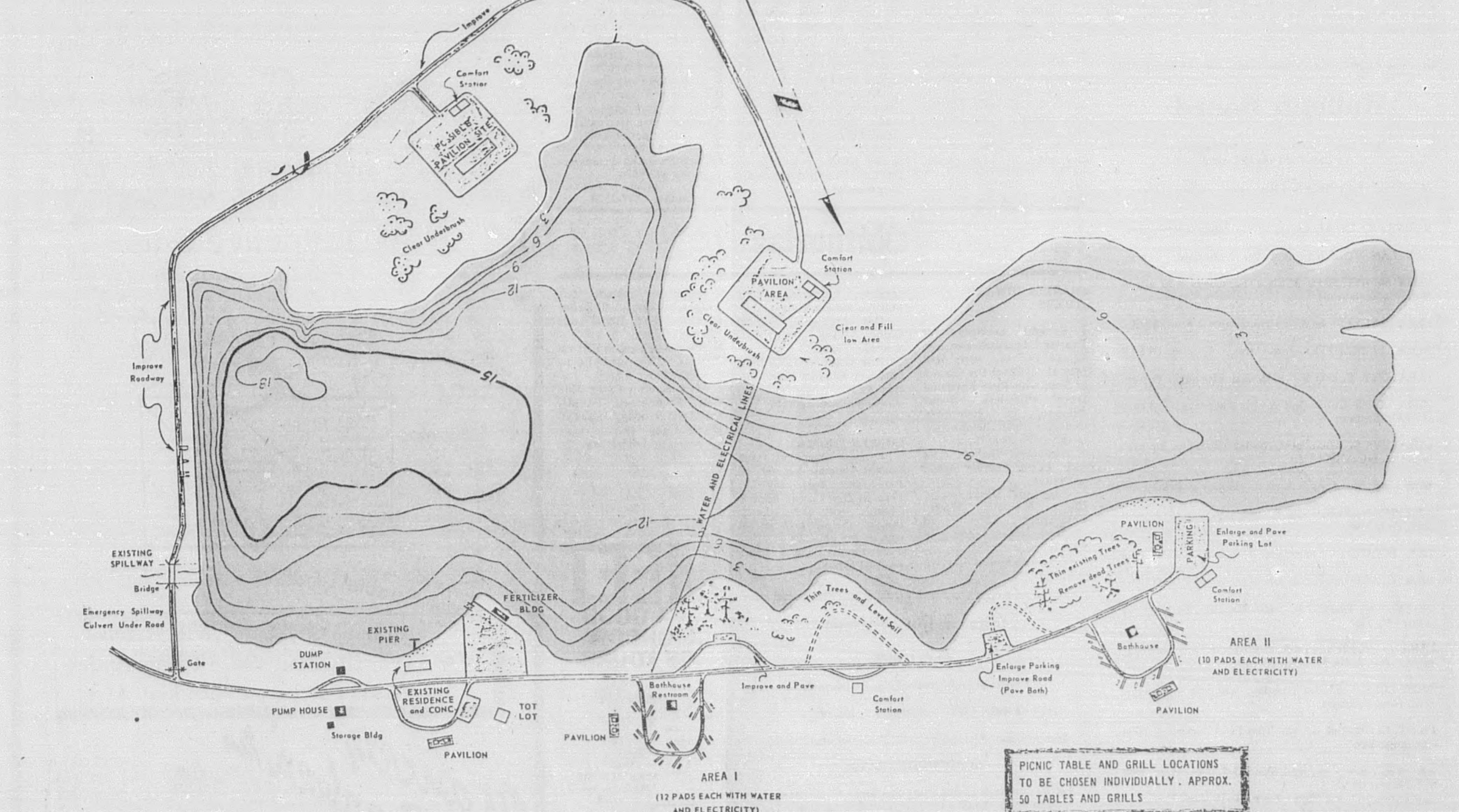
Brunson, principal of Elba Elementary School, said he would qualify the first day of qualifying, would work hard to win and when elected he would work hard and the people would be proud they voted for him.

Brunson anticipated many questions he might be asked and gave the answers as he made his announcements. He pointed out that not all the people of Coffee County considered the courthouse the most important issue facing the people. He listed inability to keep a county engineer, miles of unpaved

roads, property taxes; and the ever-widening division of county politics.

Brunson explained his family had been in Coffee County since 1853, he has lived and worked in both Elba and Enterprise, and is the only man to be named Man of the Year by both Elba and Enterprise.

Brunson said he didn't have all the answers but would work toward bringing the political factions together. He said the courthouse was an emotional issue with many people, but not with him. He said he would abide by the wishes of the people on the matter and didn't feel it was the responsibility of the probate judge to decide such matters.



Map Shows Location Of Improvements To Be Made At Coffee County Lake